

Map Milwaukee

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Scheduled Downtime

Map Milwaukee services and applications will be unavailable on **Friday, August 1, at 1 pm**, for approximately one hour, for routine maintenance.

New Tip Sheet

Originally included in the September, 2013 newsletter, we've reviewed the basics of Map Milwaukee functionality in a new Tip Sheet:

[Map Milwaukee: The Basics](#)

GIS Services

In addition to map applications, we also make the map services that feed our applications available to internet users. Check out the [Services page in the Map Milwaukee Portal](#) for documentation and help using GIS services.

We recently published a new map service:

[election geography](#)

This service includes polling places and voting wards, as well as local, state, and federal representative districts.

Check out the [Tip Sheet](#) on how to add this and any other map service to the Map Milwaukee applications.

E-Notify

Receive this newsletter, along with other e-mail announcements about Map Milwaukee by signing up for the [City of Milwaukee's E-Notify service](#).

Map Milwaukee Applications

We Need Your Feedback

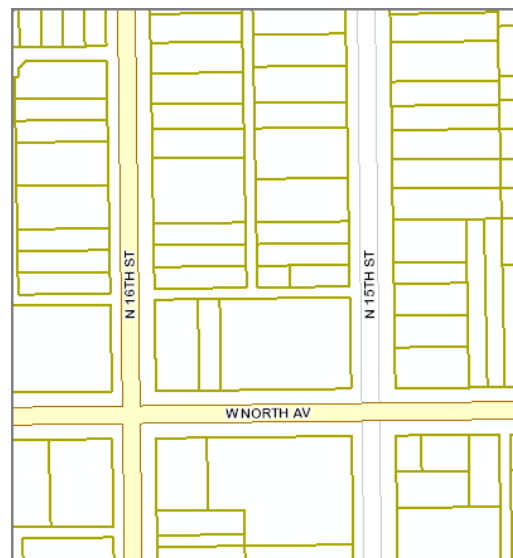
We recently made some changes to the reference maps in Map Milwaukee applications to improve performance (see below for summary of changes). We are continuing to work on options for improving these map resources. To help us make informed improvements that will result in usable map applications, we are asking for your feedback. We have put together a brief survey with questions focused on information provided in our reference map. We also include an opportunity to provide general feedback about the Map Milwaukee applications and map services.

[Take The Survey](#)

Feedback from Map Milwaukee users is important to us. Such feedback is often the only way we know how well specific features are working, or not working. We also find that Map Milwaukee is being used in ways we did not imagine, and we want to make sure the applications provide information in a useful way.



Before



Now

Overview of Recent Changes to Reference Map

Recently, we saw a slowing in application performance, likely due to increased use of the Map Milwaukee applications and services. To make immediate improvements, we have made a few modifications to [Property Information](#):

- Gray parcels have been removed from the reference base map. Parcel outlines are still visible as an operational layer.
- House number labels have been turned off by default. **Both house number and taxkey labels are still available** via map themes (drop-down at upper right) and the layer list. But note that turning on either of these labels will have a negative effect on performance.

We will be making more improvements in the coming weeks in an effort to maximize information and usability. Help us make informed decisions by taking the brief [survey](#).